

The Bethel News.

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PRICE THREE CENTS.

SHIRT WAISTS

This year as in previous years we shall excel in pretty waists. It is needless to speak of their quality and workmanship as being the best, and their prices as being the lowest, for their fame is already listed. Below we will mention only a few styles.

WAISTS of white lawn, front very fancy with tucks and lace insertion, embroidered yoke, tucked back, short sleeves, lace trimmed collar and cuffs, \$1.49

WAISTS of India Linen, front of fine Hamburg with embroidered panel in center, six clusters of five tucks in back, cuffs and collar of lace and insertion, \$1.93

WAISTS of Persian Lawn, square yoke of Venice and val insertions, five inch panel of insertions, five tuck down, back tucked in yoke effect, short sleeves, val lace collar and cuffs, \$2.49

WAISTS of extra fine lawn, pointed embroidered yoke, sixty-six fine tucks across front, front and sleeves trimmed with two rows of insertion, button in back, two clusters of fine tucks on each side, tucked collar and insertion, \$2.93

WAISTS of heavy quality mercerized sateen, tucked front, 98c

WAISTS of extra fine Persian Lawn, yoke, front and back of tucks, medallions and val lace insertion, edged with fine lace, two clusters of fine tucks across front and sleeves, tucked back, fancy collar and cuffs of val lace and insertions, \$2.93

WAISTS of black and white Japanese Silk, front and back trimmed V shape with tucks, insertion and lace, short sleeves, with lace collar and cuffs, \$2.93

WAISTS of extra heavy quality Japanese Silk, fancy yoke trimmed with French knots and Meehlin lace, forty-seven pin tucks across front, two rows of insertion extending from yoke down, pin tucks in back and across sleeves, fancy collar and cuffs, \$3.93

WAISTS of good quality gingham, just the thing for shop wear, 75c

WAISTS of white lawn, front has six rows of embroidery, cluster of three tucks between each row, button in back, tucked collar and cuffs, lace trimmed, 98c

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

E. C. Staples went to Portland Monday.

Elias Robinson spent Sunday in Portland.

Mr. Gottfried Carlson is visiting friends in town.

H. E. L. Farwell, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Gehring were in Boston last week.

Little Margaret Hancoc is quite ill.

Mr. D. C. Philbrook was in Berlin, N. H., Monday.

Miss Duxwell spent Sunday at her home in Norway.

Mr. A. M. Edwards of Boston was in Bethel last week.

Mrs. Arthur Coburn went to Portland last week, shopping.

Mr. C. E. Arno spent Sunday at his home in Gorham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nutter are at work for Mr. P. L. Edwards.

Mr. E. E. Whitney was in Bangor one day last week on business.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler is visiting her son and daughter at South Paris.

Master Vernon Kimball returned to his home in Portland Saturday.

Mr. Ephraim Wright of Oilead was in Bethel Saturday visiting relatives.

Miss Ethel Hammons returned to her school in South Portland Sunday.

Mrs. Roscoe Emery and daughter, Olla, have been visiting in Norway.

Mrs. W. F. Rendell and son, Guy, returned from Yarmouth Wednesday.

Mrs. Norman Dudley and two children were in Portland last Thursday.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thurston is quite sick of pneumonia.

Mrs. Teresa S. Grover of South Paris is in town on business a few days this week.

Miss Eleanor Colby of Berlin, N. H., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lillian Stearns.

Mrs. Alanson Tyler and son, Howard, of West Bethel were in town one day last week.

Mrs. Young and little son of West Paris are visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Billings.

Mrs. Chester Wheeler visited her father, Mr. J. W. Bennett, at Oilead one day recently.

Mr. Charles Demeritt and daughter, Gertrude, visited Mr. Demeritt's son at Ketchum last week.

Prof. E. H. Talbot of Portland was the guest of his cousin, Mrs. J. H. Wright last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hancoc of Casco visited Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hancoc over Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Bennett of Oilead came to Bethel Sunday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Chester Wheeler.

Miss Lillian Stearns, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Colby in Berlin, N. H., returned home Thursday.

A party of young people of Oilead, chartered by Mrs. W. H. Farber attended the basketball game last Saturday evening.

Mr. Hasselbal Grover, who has been seriously ill of pneumonia at his home on Main street for the past few days, is reported to be improving.

Mr. J. W. Martin of Milam, N. H., has purchased the house of Mr. Charles Demeritt on High street, and will occupy it as soon as needed repairs can be made.

The Epworth League social, which was held in Pattern Hall last Thursday evening was well attended and enjoyed. Home made candy was on sale, choruses given, and several games played; much was also played by some.

Rev. C. N. Glason and Rev. F. B. Schoonover exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. Schoonover next Thursday afternoon at the usual hour.

Special attention is requested to the subject of the sermon for next Sunday morning at the Universalist church: "How Do We Know God?" It is a subject that should demand much interest. The public is cordially invited.

The Merrill Springer Co., doing business at West Bethel, has been organized with the following officers: President, Harry Jordan; Vice-President, Geo. L. Merrill; Treas. and Manager, N. R. Springer; Clerk, Wesley Wheeler. Anyone desiring stock in this company will communicate with Mr. Springer.

Twenty-six members of Mr. Abram Dodge, I. O. O. F., went to West Bethel Sunday to attend the funeral of Mr. Charles Abbott. Rev. E. B. Schoonover officiated, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kelly of West Bethel, and Miss Jane Gibson sang.

Mrs. Annie L. Willey very acceptably presided at the organ at the Universalist church last Sunday, in the absence of Miss Ethel Hall. The two previous Sundays Miss Foss substituted in a manner very much appreciated by all.

Bethel Library Association will as usual avoid itself of the opportunity of earning a few honest dollars by serving a dinner on town meeting day. It asks the accustomed assistance and patronage. All contributions whether food or money must gratefully received. It is hoped that the effort will be met by the same helpful spirit of generous cooperation that has been unflinchingly shown in former years.

Next Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock the G. A. and basketball team will play Oxford High School 1st team at G. A. gymnasium. This is the last basketball game of the season and a good game is expected. The second team in a snappy, fast playing little team, and put up a fine game of ball when they went to Oxford. Everybody come, this is your last chance this season.

GOULD'S ACADEMY FAIR.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Bethel and vicinity to visit Gould's Academy on Thursday afternoon and evening of the present week, the occasion being the annual academy fair. The attractions will be more numerous and varied this year than ever before. As usual, the alumni will occupy the place of honor in the chapel parlor, where useful and fancy articles of all descriptions, contributed by loyal alumni from Maine to California, will be on sale. Where you ever a student at Gould's Academy? If so, have you added your name to this department? Do not wait for a personal invitation to contribute, but let it be in charge of Miss Margaret Whitcomb, Mrs. Wendell, Mrs. Richard, Mrs. Beattie Andrews, Barbara Carter and Mildred Trull. As side attractions, these young ladies will serve chocolate during the afternoon, while real gypsy fortune tellers will be in attendance to reveal the mysteries of the future to those who would know what the fates have in store for them.

The seniors will occupy a prominent place in the center of the chapel, and will present an attractive display of fancy articles, wrought by deft and willing fingers especially for this sale. Those who cannot find something here to suit their fancy will be hard to please.

The juniors, more practical in their tastes, will offer for sale all kinds of useful articles of both foreign and domestic manufacture. You surely can find something at this table to supply a long felt need.

The sophomores will sell art with a very big A. In fact, they will have in charge a complete art gallery, where, for the small sum of five cents, you can find your eyes upon many of the most celebrated works of the old masters. They will offer for sale a variety of pictures and Gould's Academy souvenirs. The ever popular grab bag will also be in evidence, and will contain more wonderful and mysterious things than the grab bag ever contained before.

The freshmen will enter the dinner from your pockets with all kinds of delicious home made candies. Don't forget to buy a big bag full the last thing before going home.

Aside from the above mentioned attractions, the fair this year will have

New Dress Trimmings

For Spring Have Arrived

Over Laces, Insertions, Edges, Fine Embroidery, Ribbons, Etc.

I am offering some fine trimmings at low prices in order to induce still more ladies to patronize my Fancy Dry Goods Department.

March Ladies' Home Journal Patterns, now on sale. Style book free, or the Quarterly Style Book, 120 pages full of spring styles, price 15c with ten cent pattern free.

EDWARD KING, Bethel, Me.

Two new departments. One presided over by the boys, where a great variety of articles, "fearfully and wonderfully made," (by the boys themselves) will be on sale. The other will be a food table, where the young ladies will be ready to demonstrate to all comers—especially doubting young bachelors—that the G. A. girls can make pies, cakes, etc., that are not only as good, but even superior to those their "mother" used to make. Young men, this is your opportunity.

The Supper.

When any one of the Bethel societies announce a supper, we know it will be a supper par excellence; but when all the societies unite, and all the Bethel folks vie with one another, as they do just once a year, what more could Epicurus himself have desired? Can you afford to miss the supper of the whole year? Supper served from six to seven o'clock. American plan, twenty-five cents.

The Entertainment.

Nothing elaborate has been attempted in the way of an entertainment, but we trust our friends will consider it worth the price of admission, fifteen cents. The entertainment will be given in the chapel, using the parlor for the stage. It will consist of recitations, both grave and gay, instrumental and vocal music—the latter by a mixed quartette and a boy's chorus, which will make its first public appearance. The programme will conclude with a laughable farce, "The Trouble at Satterlie's." Buy your tickets for the entertainment when you get your supper ticket. The entertainment will begin at 7:30 sharp.

An Afterword.

It may be of interest to those who have so generously contributed to the success of our fair in years past to know for what purposes the money thus raised has been expended. Below are the most important items: Books for Academy Library, about \$140; singing books for use at normal exercises, \$30; settees for gymnasium, and pipes and registers for heating same, about \$125; framed pictures and cards for school room decoration, about \$50; glass doors to protect books in library, new book-cases and reference tables, about \$70; physical apparatus, \$150. In addition to the above, books have been rebound, teachers' desks and chairs have been refinished and repaired, steel window-grates have been placed upon all the basement windows of the academy, the walls of all the recitation rooms and halls have been lined with marsequo, curtains purchased for the windows of two rooms and several maps and charts have been secured. Last year the net receipts of the fair amounted to barely \$170, being about fifty per cent. in excess of any previous year. Of this sum \$18.50 was spent for settees and with the balance the Crowell Physical Laboratory Cabinet was purchased at an expense of \$150. The money is all ways expended under the direction of a committee, composed of the teachers and one member of each class, and the aim of this committee is to best serve the interests of the school as a whole. The special object this year is to further add to the equipment of the Physical Laboratory, and to lay the foundation for practical, experimental work in Chemistry. Unlike most academies, we have no fund from which to draw for the equipment and up-building of these departments. We need your individual assistance. If you think we deserve it, "come down and help us."

BUSINESS POINTERS

Or Everybody's Bargain Counter.

The E. N. Sweet Shoe Co., Norway, carry the largest stock of footwear in the county.

BASKET BALL.

Gould's Academy vs Westbrook Seminary.

We said last week that Saturday night would see one of the most interesting games ever played at the G. A. gymnasium and those who were present and witnessed that game will agree that we told the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. The two teams were about as evenly matched as it would be possible to match two teams, and while Gould's took the lead at the start and held it to the finish, yet it was ever and always evident that their opponents were in their class and pressing them hard, and it would have required but a slight disadvantage on the part of the home team to have made the visitors the victors. Three minutes before the finish of the game the score stood 13 to 21, and both sides playing for every ounce of blood there was within them, and while the friends of the home team were apparently confident that they would maintain their lead, yet it was a bit of a relief when the whistle sounded, time up.

It was the game of all games ever played in the G. A. Gymnasium, almost absolutely free from roughness or foul play of any kind, and we are glad to say concerning the Westbrook team that they were the most gentlemanly, and got up the most honest, straightforward game of any team that has ever come to Bethel. The home team may well feel proud of its victory. They have won every game this season except the two played against Hebron Academy, which team holds the championship of the state, and we congratulate them on their successes. The score was 19 to 27, in favor of Gould's.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Next Sunday morning the sermon theme will be, "On the Wings of the Wind." Sunday school at 11 a. m. Lesson, "The Moral Law." Pastor's Class, Christian Endeavor Meeting at 6:45 p. m. Topic, "Being Honest with Yourself and God." This meeting will be followed by the seventh talk on, "The Evolution of Human History," "The Babylonians." A cordial invitation to all services.

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M. E. CHURCH.

Sunday, March 3rd. Preaching service at 10:45 a. m. Sunday school at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting at 8:15 p. m. Epworth League at 7:15 p. m. Epworth League, special paper by the pastor, entitled, "The Interregnum." All are welcome.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Topic, "How Do We Know God?" Text, Matt. 22. Sunday school at 11 a. m. P. C. U. at 7 p. m. Topic, "Synodality—The Part It Plays in Our Lives and in Those About Us." References: Luke 4:18; Hebrews 1:1.

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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Evening Recreations—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Good manners are not taught in the school books. They are found in the home lessons.

What do you think of a man who will sit down to the table three times a day, and thank the Lord for bread which he has availed some poor man or beat his grocer out of?

It is well to be charitable in all our conclusions, mindful that we often need the cloak of charity ourselves. Fill life with sunshine and strew flowers where others throw stones. Make life a bright spot in this world, and where you see flowers cast smiles, and whether it be morn, dusk, or night, let the sunny side of nature always be at full meridian.

It would astonish many of us sometimes if we could know what our neighbors think of us. Every man has some kind of a standing in the community where he lives, and he is sized up a great deal closer than he has any idea of. You may set it down as a fact that there isn't a twelve year old boy in the neighborhood who hasn't his opinion of you, and he wouldn't be slow about expressing it either, if a stranger should ask him for it. Every man is always making character, whether he is doing anything else or not.

What Shall I Teach My Child.

Teach him that it is better to die than to lie; that it is better to starve than to steal; that it is better to be a scavenger or a woodchopper than an idler and a dead-beat; that it is just as criminal and reprehensible to waste Monday as to waste Sunday; that labor is the price of all honest possessions; that no one is exempt from the obligation to labor with head, hands or heart; that "An honest man is the noblest work of God;" that knowledge is power; that labor is worship and idleness sin; that it is better to eat the crust of independent poverty than to luxuriate amid the richest vintages as a dependent. Teach him these facts till they are woven into his being and regulate his life, and we will insure his success—though the heavens fall.

A genuine mother could no more raise a bad boy into a bad man than a robin could raise a hawk. When we say a "genuine mother" we mean something more than a mother who prays with her boy and sends him to Sunday school. All these things are good, and indispensable as far as they go, but there is a lot more to do to train a boy besides praying with him, just as there are things necessary to the cultivation of a garden besides reading a manual. To succeed with roses one must prune, weed and hoe a great deal. To make a boy into a pure man, a mother must do more than pray. She must live with him in the sense of comrades and closest friend. She must stand by him in times of temptation as the pilot sticks to the wheel when rapids are around. She must never desert him to go off to superintend outside duties any more than the engineer deserts his post and goes into the baggage car to read up engineering when his train is pounding across the country at forty miles an hour.

True Love of Women.

No woman will love a man better for his being renowned or prominent. Though he be the first among men, she will be prouder, not fonder; as is often the case she will not even be proud. But give her love, appreciation, kindness, and there is no sacrifice she will not make for his content and comfort. The man who loves her well is her hero and king—no less a king, though his only kingdom is his heart and home. In some cases out of ten, it is a man's fault that he is unhappy with his wife. It is a very exceptional woman who will not be all she can be to an attentive husband, and a very exceptional one who will not be very disagreeable if she fails herself willfully neglected.

The Ordinary Woman.

We have noticed that among the many prizes given by Andrew Carnegie as a reward for bravery and heroism, none have been awarded to women, say nothing of the "ordinary woman." Are women less brave than men? True, the ordinary woman may be afraid of a mouse, but her record for true heroism and bravery will compare favorably with men.

She may not jump in front of a runaway team to stop it or rescue a friend from the fifth story of a burning building, but we have women right in this community who have exhibited more true heroism than any man wearing the Carnegie badge of honor for bravery.

Many a soldier who bravely stood at his post of duty for two or three years during the Civil War, is served with badges. We would not take one from him, he merits them; but

many an "ordinary" woman has stood at her post of duty for thirty, forty and even half a century, fighting with sickness, poverty and discouragement, and true Spartan courage kept the wolf from the door and saved the lives of a large family of children.

The man who saves one life receives a prize for bravery, his picture appears in the metropolitan papers, and he wears a medal which says to the world he was brave. And he was. But the woman who has saved the lives of many is given no badge, and seldom ever a word of commendation. The husband of the ordinary woman has not the gift of making money. He works hard but is a poor manager and the wife never gets far from his door. The good wife sews, cooks and mends for the man who does not even give her a kind word for pay. One has most truthfully said that for each of her children she trod the Oxyrhynchus of motherhood which the woman endures who is too poor to hire competent nurses. For years and years she never knew what it was to have a single night's unbroken sleep. The small hours of the morning found her walking the floor with a sick babe, or putting water to thirsty little lips. There was not rest for her day or night. There was always a child in her arms or clinging to her skirts. Oftentimes she was sick and nervous and weary almost to death but never failed to rally to the call of "mother!"—as a good soldier always rallied to his battle-cry.

Nobody called her brave and yet, when one of the children came down with malignant diphtheria she braved death one hundred times in bending over the little sufferer, without one thought of danger, and when the little one was laid away under the sod, she who had loved most was the first to gather herself together and take up the burden of life for the others.

These ordinary women may not receive a Carnegie badge for bravery, but "He who marks the sparrow's fall" will certainly reserve for them the brightest jeweled crowns in his kingdom.

The Only Way.

Brown—You asked your wife to go with you to the matinee, and then got tickets for the evening!

Towne—Yes, You see, I really want to see the show, and she will probably be ready to go to the matinee in time for the evening performance.—Puck.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble poisons the mind, discourages and lessens ambition, beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is a common ailment. It is a disease which is not only a source of suffering but it is a danger to the life. It is a disease which is not only a source of suffering but it is a danger to the life. It is a disease which is not only a source of suffering but it is a danger to the life.

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LAUGHS AT ALL BARRIERS.

Nothing Stops the Triumphant March of the Locomotive.

The completion and opening for traffic of a railroad 14,000 feet above the sea level is an event of moment in that kind of building and the one just finished leading from the Colorado and Southern line to the summit of Mount McClellan, on Gray's peak, is the second in the world to reach that altitude. The other is in Peru, leading through the passes of the Andes. Both lines carry the locomotive with its proud and conquering plume and its piercing note of triumph, halt as high as the highest peaks in the world with something to spare. No longer need it be said that "mountains interposed makes enemies of nations," though it may have been true enough when the poet wrote it. There are high mountain passes yet left in the world for the railway to cleave through, though it may be doubted if many of them will ever much exceed those named in altitude. The Himalayas, their peaks upholding the roof of the world, are yet to be bridged. So are the Thian Shan ranges and in general the whole mountain system of China; our intercontinental lines, going on apace and soon to join their links have some pretty high places to cover, but if they climb anywhere so loftily as the one just finished and its Peruvian predecessor, it will be time to fire off cannon and hold celebrations of exultation over the performance.

It is only the rail which has perched the wonders of the world to be reached and we have only begun to penetrate into their walled domains. The train which spins over the torrent of Zambales' fall across its high and slender steel arch reveals one of the most majestic views ever presented to mankind, but there are many more yet to be found and linked into the chain binding the inaccessible together which is reticulated with meshes growing smaller and smaller all over the world. It will indeed be like bridging a new world into the pattern of the old, to the enrichment of its embroidery beyond all the dreams which fancy can form or the most glowing imagination picture.

OLD BUT ACTIVE MACHINIST.

Charles C. Aspinwall, of Concord, N. H., Still Works at His Trade.

In years of service, Charles C. Aspinwall is the oldest active machinist employed by the Boston & Maine railroad in Concord, N. H., and one of the oldest in New England. He began his service in the old Northern shops at Concord in 1853, and has since continued in the service under the management of the Boston & Lowell, and later with the Boston & Maine, in whose Concord, N. H., repair shops he is now employed as a gang boss. He was at one time master mechanic of the Concord, N. H., plant of the Boston & Maine, and previous to its acquisition of the plant was practically master mechanic for a period of nearly 20 years. He is a popular man at the shops, and though 75 years old, does a good measure of work each day. He walks a distance of a mile and a quarter, from his home. There is probably not a man on the system who knows more of the part of an engine better than Mr. Aspinwall, and few can equal him in practical knowledge and workmanship.

He is a native of Lebanon, N. H., his ancestors having been prominent in founding the town. His father lived to be 92 years old, and he has a brother living who is one year older than himself. His grandfather was at the battle of Bunker Hill.

Italian Train Brigand.

One of the most remarkable features of the strictly organized system of train robbery in Italy has been the impunity with which they have long been committed. The police, however, have at last succeeded in striking a blow which, if properly followed up, may for a time cripple the brigands.

On no line of railway has the plaguing of passengers' baggage been more persistent than on the Rome-Naples line in the tourist season. At last, however, the head center and organizer of the band has been arrested.

He is a Sicilian known among his confederates as "La China." He is a Sicilian, keen and daring, and his band has even had the audacity to address to rob the prefect of Reggio, Calabria himself during his railway traveling.

"La China" is a man with many aliases, and has had many convictions recorded against him.

Few Railway Insurrections.

The number of railways in the hands of receivers continues to decrease, the few that have been added to the list in recent years being more than offset by the number of receiverships that were ended by foreclosure or by friendly reorganization without sale, says the Railway Age. In the first six months of this year only five short roads, with a total of 181 miles of lines, were placed in charge of the courts, while five roads with 118 miles, were restored to their owners by sale, and another, having 34 miles completed, was turned over and returned to the original company. No receivership has been established this year as a result of financial difficulties of recent origin, and no new insurrections are in sight, or apprehended at the present time.

ACHED IN EVERY BONE.

Chicago Society Woman Who Was So Sick She Could Not Sleep or Eat, Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

When a woman's kidneys go wrong, her back gives out and every little task becomes a burden. She is tired, nervous, sleepless, run down—suffers daily from backache, headaches, dizzy spells, and bearing-down pains.

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Marion Knight, of 33 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill., member of the Chicago Federation of Musicians and a well-known club woman, says: "This winter when I started to use Doan's Kidney Pills I ached in every bone and had in tense pains in the kidneys and pelvic organs. The urine was thick and cloudy, and I could barely eat enough to live. I felt a change for the better within a week. The second week I began eating heartily. I began to improve generally, and before seven weeks had passed I was well. I had spent hundreds of dollars for medicine that did not help me, but 50 cents of Doan's Kidney Pills restored me to perfect health."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Miss Knight will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-McLure Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

WHY SHE THOUGHT IT APPEALED TO HER.

"Would you like me to fly with me to some hidden part of the world," asks the enamored youth, "where the false conventions of modern society are things unknown, where the hampering requirements of our present civilization are unheard of, where the people live near to nature's heart, dreaming naught of our silly changes of fashion, knowing naught of the ailments of hats and dresses and—"

"Oh, Harold!" exclaims the sweet young thing, "is there such a place? Oh, how wonderful it would be to go there!"

"Do you mean that would go?" he cries, his voice thrilling with a wonderful surging of soul.

"Would it? It would be heavenly! Think of being able to introduce all the latest things in bridge and shirt waists and bonnets among those women, and make them all realize what frightful back numbers they are!"—Life.

Done Again.

"I bought your 'six best sellers,'" said customer in the book store.

"Ah, indeed," replied the clerk, with a smile; "how did you like them?"

"Well, I think you should abbreviate your advertisement!"

"What do you mean?"

"Why, make it the 'six best sellers.'"—Chicago Daily News.

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Had No Kick Coming.
Her Husband (angrily)—I was a fool when I married you.
His Wife—Aren't you a fool still?
Her Husband—No, I am not.
His Wife—Then you should congratulate me upon my success as a reformer.—Chicago Daily News.

Suitable for a Kite.
Boy—I want to buy some paper.
Dealer—What kind of paper?
Boy—You'd better give me some dy paper—I want to make a kite.—Royal Magazine.

The Place for His Mouth.
Ethel—What a finely-chiselled mouth you have! It ought to be on a girl's face.
Jack—Well, I seldom miss an opportunity.

Hopeless Case.
Her—Then he isn't what might be termed an entertaining man?
Him—No; I never know him even to entertain an idea.—Chicago Daily News.

Nothing Lost.
Nell—Mr. Gush is always using words that I don't understand at all.
Wino—Neither does he.—Detroit Free Press.

Side Lights on History.
Sir Isaac Newton had discovered the law of gravitation.
"I'd like to see anybody get around that!" he said.

Consulting the records and satisfactory himself that no supreme court ever had declared it unconstitutional, he proceeded to divide it into sections.—Chicago Tribune.

No Danger.
Mr. Gayboy (about to start on a business trip)—I'll try to write to you every few days, Maria, but if I should be busy and a week or more pass without your hearing from me you needn't be alarmed.
Mrs. Gayboy—I shan't. I'll take the children with me and hunt you up.—Chicago Tribune.

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WISDOM OF THE ANCIENTS.

Make friends of equals.—Stobaeus.

The end of a dissolute life is commonly a desperate death.—Blon.

Thou must live unto another if thou wilt live unto thyself.—Seneca.

Slowly but surely withal moveth the might of the gods.—Euripides.

In matters of doubt boldness is of the greatest value.—Publius Syrus.

As a moth gnaws a garment, so does envy consume a man.—Chrysostomus.

No book is so bad but some good may be gotten out of it.—Pliny the Elder.

The desire for the superfluous is folly, for it hath no bounds.—Pythagoras.

If it is not seemly, do it not; if it is not true, speak it not.—Marcus Aurelius.

The essence of good and evil is a certain disposition of the will.—Epictetus.

A man must make himself despicable before he is despised.—Chinese saying.

They who delight to be flattered pay for their folly by a late repentance.—Phaedrus.

Much knowledge of things divine escapes us through want of faith.—Heraclitus.

What I do not wish men to do to me, I also wish not to do to them.—Confucius.

To err in opinion, though it be not the part of wise men, is at least human.—Plutarch.

SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.

There never was a bride who thought the newspapers did her justice.

An ordinary man can't attack a woman and get away with it, but a president can.

Nothing seems to hurt a woman quite so much as paying a great big dollar to the milkman.

When a man goes to hell his punishment will probably be to read the "papers" prepared by women for their clubs.

When a New York woman sues a man for breach of promise, you may safely bet it wasn't an innocent hand-bolding affair.

Every time I meet a woman I particularly admire I am either chewing tobacco or badly in need of a shave. No wonder I am not popular.

When a man submits to a procession wedding the other men look at him the way boys look at a boy whose mother makes him wear long curls.

A dog's life is an easy one. Nothing to do, comfortable home, plenty to eat, and then given a lot of credit for looking after its own interests by being faithful to its master.

You often hear of being "between two fires." That's nothing. The average man has so many fires built around him that if he were between only two fires he would decide the world is getting away from him.—Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

MRS. CRAIG'S EPIGRAMS.

When the heart has a certain measure of distress it is agitated and in revolt, but when it is full of woe, and can contain no more it is still, and its stillness passes for resignation to destiny.

Time answers questions by deadening all our faculties and sensations. I have been watching elderly men and women; they try to believe that they have gained wisdom. They have only lost the power of wondering.

People who wish to regard divine providence as an English gentleman of large fortune, perfect morals, an anxiety to frustrate the foreigner and a desire to feed rather than to meet the poor, were disturbed by Fitzgerald's fear of God, which to some seemed superstition and to others ill advised.—From "The Dream and the Business."

PHILOSOPHIC FOOLISHNESS.

A cold is something you catch without running.

You can't tell what's in a man's case by the noise of his clothes.

If we should get everything we pray for we would all have too much.

The surest way for a woman to get married is to become a bachelor girl.

Those who wear their hearts on their sleeves are always crying "Mis-deal!"

Courtesy costs nothing, which is why some men seem to think it is worthless.

There is enough money in circulation but it's difficult to get into the current.

FEW GOOD MEERSCHAUMS HERE.

Americans Do Not Make or Keep Them Right, German Dealer Says.

"You don't see the best meerschaum pipes in this country," said a German pipe dealer who learned his trade in Vienna, to a Kansas City Star writer.

"Why? Because the Americans are in too big a hurry. Haven't time to take care of a meerschaum—haven't even time to learn how. When the American is through smoking his knock his pipe on the heel of his shoe to remove the ashes, shoves it in the most handy pocket and is on the run."

"Now, in the old country, a man takes his pipe seriously—very seriously. He expects his meerschaum to last him a lifetime and then be in good repair to hand down to his heir. The pipe is passed from generation to generation and it is always handled as carefully as a newborn babe. The smoker never touches the bowl while it is warm—that would spoil the fine glossy color. When the German has completed his serious and meditative smoke his pipe is laid very carefully away, where it will cool properly and without danger of scratching. He does not ram it into his pocket with other miscellaneous articles as the rushing American does. He takes his time and gives it his care and attention."

"The best meerschaum pipes in the old country are made of soft meerschaum and are hand carved. Then they are polished in beeswax. The fine color is produced by the wax and nicotine combining. When the pipe is smoked the wax softens from the heat. That is why the pipe should not be touched while warm. Touching mars the gloss."

The American manufacturer does not carve or polish them by hand. The work is done by machines. The soft meerschaum, if treated that way, would break, so hard meerschaum, a low grade, is used. The hard clay will not absorb beeswax, so it is boiled in glycerin. The most beautiful colors cannot be produced with glycerin."

Farming on the Yukon.

W. M. Swinehart has compiled for publication the results of his experience in farming at Fort Selkirk, and these show that, taking one season with another, the crops raised and the prices received for the product are sufficient to cause the average farmer in the states to look to the north with envy, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Out hay, the chief crop produced, yields about three tons to the acre and sells readily in the spring at from \$100 to \$125 per ton. Demand has never been lacking for all the hay the farm produces, since the Dawson-White Horse stage line, on which from 250 to 400 horses are used every winter for several months, picks up within a few miles of the farm. Potatoes yield from three to five tons to the acre and bring as much as 25 cents a pound. The average price for a series of years has been a fraction over 20 cents a pound. Rutabagas yield six tons to the acre and sell for 6 cents a pound, or \$720 an acre. Carrots yield three tons to the acre and sell for 15 cents a pound, a return of \$900 per acre. Cabbages vary in production to season, ranging from three to eight tons to the acre, and the price ranges from 15 to 20 cents a pound. It is an exceptional season when the Swinehart farm does not net its owners an income of \$10,000.

A Cup of Tea For the Dainty.

A little girl who had been carefully trained to believe in the existence of a Dainty and that God was ever present to watch over her, was playing the other day in the nursery. Her mother had left her alone to amuse herself with a new set of "play" dishes, a tea set. Her father is an intensely religious man and had assisted his wife in impressing upon the little girl's mind the idea that God was always with and watching over her.

The little girl was busily engaged in giving a tea party. She had set two dolls at the top table opposite her and had placed a cup and saucer in front of each of them. There was an extra cup and saucer at a vacant place. She poured the tea first into the cups before each doll. Then she came to the cup at the vacant place and paused, because there was no guest there. Then she remembered her religious teaching, her face brightened and she said:

"Will you have a cup of tea, God?"

Treatment of Kid Shoes.

To prevent kid shoes from becoming hard and stiff after they have been wet, they must be first rubbed with a soft cloth immediately after removing them from the feet, and while still damp kerosene oil should be rubbed in well with a piece of flannel, repeating this treatment again when the first application is nearly dry. Then place the shoes in a warm place where the drying operation can be finished gradually. Before wearing them rub over once more with a little kerosene, and then apply a good kid polish in the usual manner.

Surgery.

"They claim that by means of modern surgery bad boys may be rendered good."

"I'll stick to the old-fashioned kind."

"What's that?"

"Whisking 'em alive."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Mistake of a Self-Made Man.

"Yes, he got a little fresh and I told him plainly that I knew my business and added that I was proud of the fact that I am a self-made man."

"What did he say to that?"

"He said I made a mistake in not advertising for him."

AROUND THE HOUSE

LITTLE POINTERS THAT ARE OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Grape Juice a Pleasant Winter Drink and Easily Made—Rug from Bits of Colored Silks and Ribbon.

A pleasant winter drink is grape juice, which can be easily made at home for very much less than is charged in the shops. To make a drink that will keep for two years in a dark place, add one quart of water to three quarts of picked grapes and cook until the grapes are broken up. Strain twice, once through cheesecloth, and once through flannel. Add sufficient sugar and boil, being careful not to make too sweet a syrup; one or two cupsful of sugar to two gallons of juice should suffice, according to the flavor of the fruit. Bottle it hot and seal securely. A mixture of two or more kinds of grapes gives the best result, Delaware and Niagara and Catawba, Niagara and Concord being excellent combinations. A quart can be made for as low as ten cents, if the fruit is bought when it is at bottom price, and preserved quickly.

An entree which is easy to prepare and seasonable just now is baked tomatoes. For this dish select the large, smooth, ripe, and round tomatoes. Put them in a baking pan with the stems down. Cut a thin slice from the smooth end of each, and take out as much pulp as possible without spilling the firmness and shape. Mix the pulp and juice with bread crumbs. A little chopped meat—ham or lamb or chicken is the best—salt, pepper, a little butter, a quarter of a green pepper, and half a teaspoonful of onion juice. Fill the tomatoes with the mixture, replace the little lids, and bake for about three-quarters of an hour. Serve with garnish of parsley.

Probably everybody knows that very pretty rugs can be made from bits of colored silks and ribbon, but in case some one has a lot of "pieces" and does not know what to do with them, we make this suggestion. Select only bits of harmonizing shades, pink and brown, red and dull green and black, yellow and dark green, purple, black and cream color, and cut the pieces into strips of even width, sewing the ends together firmly. Roll into balls and send them to a weaver of carpets, with instructions not to use any discordant color for binding them together. You will be surprised at the soft, artistic effect of old scraps. A really charming portiere or couch-cover will be the reward of a little patience and very little expenditure.

The walls of a kitchen should be of varnished or painted plaster or of enameled with a heavy glazed paper such as are used in bathrooms. A wafer of tiles or varnished wood saves the plaster where it is likely to get many knocks, and should be protected at the base by a narrow baseboard, fitting tightly so that no cracks can admit objectionable visitors from the neighboring floor. Floors should be covered with a good linoleum, unless the architect has put in tiles, which are the ideal flooring. A painted wood surface would be satisfactory if it did not need constant renewing, as the use of scrubbing brushes and soap soon washes it off.

Plenty of shelves and drawers, or a neat kitchen cabinet are great helps to the woman whose time is spent in cooking.

Governor's Sauce.

One peck of green tomatoes, six red or green peppers, half a pound of horseradish, half pint of salt, four large onions, half pint of brown sugar, one teaspoonful of ground cloves, one teaspoonful of ground allspice, one teaspoonful of white pepper, vinegar enough to cover the ingredients, making about two quarts.

Slice the tomatoes and sprinkle salt over them. Let them stand over night in the morning drain off the liquor and put altogether in the preserving kettle. Add the seasonings and the peppers and onions, chopped fine. Pour over them enough vinegar to cover them well. Simmer the sauce for half an hour and put on end seal.

Use of Amber Combs.

Probably the newest decoration for the hair is the use of amber combs of all descriptions. Very light amber for very dark hair, dark amber for very light blonde hair, always seeking as great a contrast as possible. Furthermore, as to the style of the combs, all of them have the olive shaped tops. A large comb is used in the back with at least two side combs. Since the run on gold-mounted combs, and the consequently cheapening of the style has come about, the beautiful translucent amber comes as a welcome change, and it is universally becoming not only to women, but to gentlemen.

Fine Mouth Wash.

A very fine mouth wash is made by combining: One ounce of tincture of eucalypti, one ounce of tincture of white rose, one ounce of alcohol, 30 drops of peppermint. Pour a few drops in half a glass of water and rinse the mouth thoroughly.

Breath Sweetener.

A simple breath sweetener is made by taking one pint of distilled water and adding to it one tablespoonful of pure borax, one ounce of liquid myrrh and five drops of thymol. One tablespoonful can be added to a glass of water. Use three times a day.

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THE MESSAGE THAT CAME.

Prof. Penzance was busily engaged with his massive new micro-telescope, making observations of the movements of various planets, when the shrill tones of a feminine voice interrupted him.

"Bliss me!" muttered the professor, hastily. "I do wish I could be left to study in peace. I shall never be able to follow this matter of a message from Mars unless—"

"Oh, but it's come, love!" said his young wife, who was just running to meet him.

"Come! What has come?" queried the professor, in a dazed tone.

"A message from Mars!" ejaculated the delighted wife, "and 'Mar' is coming to stay with us for ever and ever. Aren't you glad, dear?"

But the blue, misty atmosphere arrested the remainder of the "mar-congratulations."

Too Rich to Spell.

"I wish," said Mrs. Parvane to her daughter's teacher, "that you would drop spelling from the list of Janet's studies."

"Drop spelling!" exclaimed the teacher, "why?"

"It is so common," replied Mrs. Parvane. "Everybody learns to spell."

"But your daughter will need the knowledge," protested the teacher. "She'll need it for her correspondence, and—"

"Enough!" interrupted Mrs. Parvane haughtily. "Evidently you cannot read above the common level. My daughter will move in the highest circles of society, and will be rich enough to have a private secretary to write any thing that she does not wish to have printed. I do not wish to have her time wasted."—Royal Magazine.

Brushed with Ideas.

"Your husband is not looking well to-night, Mrs. Thymmer."

"Oh, yes, and I'm not at all surprised at it."

"Not! Has he been overworking himself lately?"

"It isn't that so much; it's his orality. Why, that man is struck with so many original ideas that his mind must be one mass of brushes."—Royal Magazine.

A Serious Matter.

Young Wife—What? Do you mean to say your brother and his wife have given up housekeeping and gone to boarding?

Household—Yes, but what difference does that make?

Young Wife—Oh, nothing; only in about a week or so they'll be dropping in every day to meals.—N. Y. Weekly.

Wanted Efforts.

"One is as foolish as the other," remarked the astute thinker.

"What are you talking about?" queried the party of the interior's part.

"The woman who is married to a man to reform him and the man who marries a woman to reform her," explained he of the noisy thoughts.—Chicago Daily News.

Healthy.

Mrs. Callahan supposed her new neighbor to be a very entertaining woman. She has been almost so long and has seen everything worth seeing.

Mrs. Callahan—On the contrary, I find her quite tiresome. Why, she actually hasn't anything at all the matter with her.—Chicago Daily News.

Healthy.

Charles in the air yet may come with the wind of earth. But all the same, he'll have to pay for his ride on earth.—Chicago Daily News.

WIT AND WISDOM.

A Tired Skeleton.

Living Skeleton (only one in America, at this museum)—These folks make me tired.

Sympathetic Visitor—In what way?

"Here I am earning \$500 a week as the greatest living skeleton, yet hour after hour, day in and day out, one old woman chins at me about the things I ought to eat to get fat."—N. Y. Weekly.

Obliging.

The young man with dandruff on his coat collar and a roll of paper in his hand approached the editor.

"I have some verses here which I would be pleased to have you go over," he said.

"Very well," replied the editor. "Just lay them on the floor and I will go over them when I go out."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Don't let the baby suffer from eczema, sores or any itching of the skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, cures quickly. Perfectly safe for children. All druggists sell it.

The True Course of Love.

There was a lass in our town, And shut her lovely eyes, And jumped into a bramble bush, And when, to her surprise, She saw what she was up against, She merely cried: "Oh, brother! And shut her lovely eyes once more, And jumped into another."—Littell.

Matrimony.

"Pack."

Constipation causes headache, nausea, dizziness, languor, heart palpitation. Drastic physics gripe, sicken, weaken the bowels and don't cure. Doan's Regulator acts gently and cures constipation. 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

A True Tailor.

The Gent—Why don't you go to work?

The Hobo—Why should I?

The Gent—Don't you know that a laborer is a king?

The Hobo—That's it. 'Tis to live in a free country, as I s'pose ter be a tyrant.—Cleveland Leader.

Constitution causes headache, nausea, dizziness, languor, heart palpitation. Drastic physics gripe, sicken, weaken the bowels and don't cure. Doan's Regulator acts gently and cures constipation. 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

Of Course Not.

"Stella says she has remained single from choice."

"I don't doubt it. But she doesn't say whose choice it was."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

By Discretion.

Wiseman—Primitive man plowed the earth with a sharpened stick.

Heremite—You don't mean to say he plowed as far back?—Cassell's Journal.

Never can tell when you'll mash a finger or suffer a cut, burn or scald. Be prepared. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil instantly relieves the pain—quickly cures the wound.

An Invitation Declined.

"Come and dine with me to-night, dear boy!"

